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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT; PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

1. DURING THE PAST WEEK THE JORDANIAN PRESS GAVE PROMINANCE TO HIGHLIGHTING CARTER AND FORD STATEMENTS ON ISRAEL. IN GENERAL, THE REPORTING WAS STRAIGHT FORWARD FROM WIRESERVICES, WITH WASHINGTON OR NEW YORK DATELINES. REUTER WITH TRADITIONAL CREDIBILITY HERE WAS MOST QUOTED.

2. UNDER THE HEADING "THE UNITED STATES WITH A JEWISH MASK" ASH-SHA'B ON SEP 11 EDITORIALIZES ON THE CAMPAIGN SAID IT "SHOWS THE EXTENSIVE ATTENTION THE CONTESTANTS ARE GIVING TO THE QUESTION OF PLEASING THE JEWISH MINORITY IN THE UNITED STATES..... BECAUSE THE JEWISH ZIONIST MOVEMENT CONTROLS MOST OF THE U.S. INFORMATION MEDIA--- MOREOVER, THE OCTOPUS LIKE TENTACLES OF THIS MOVEMENT (ZIONIST) EXTEND TO THE MAJOR ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

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3. ON THE SAME ISSUE AR-RA'Y ON SEP 11 COMMENTED IN AN EDITORAIL "JEWISH VOTE AND ITS WEIGHT" SAID THAT THE B'NAI B'RITH-SPONSORED DEBATE WAS VERY INTELLIGENT IN HAVING THE TWO CONTENDERS "COMPETE IN GIVING MORE PROMISES (TO ISRAEL) IN THE RACE BETWEEN THEM WHICH WILL BE DECIDED BY THE LENGTH OF A HORSE'S NECK". THE PAPER

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CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT THE U.S. POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

IS GOVERNED BY A CLEAR FORMULA A- THE JEWISH VOTE AND ITS WEIGHT
B- U.S. POLICY IS COMPLETELY BIASED IN FAVOUR OF ISRAEL.

4. GOVERNMENT OWNED RADIO JORDAN AND TELEVISION PLAYED CAMPAIGN
SOTRIES WITH RESTRAINT, AND RESTRICTING COPY TO WIRESERVICES,
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